

## Revocation of Fleischmann Permits Stayed

Yeast Concern Granted Appeal From Decision That Improper Use Had Been Made of Alcohol Output

### Hearing Set for Tuesday

Action Is Taken After Conference of Mellon With Dry Enforcement Chiefs

WASHINGTON, March 4.—Orders by prohibition Commissioner Hayes revoking the industrial alcohol permits of the Fleischmann Company, Inc., of New York, and eleven of its agencies were suspended until Tuesday to-night by Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair. The orders were suspended, Mr. Blair said, pending a rehearing of the cases on Tuesday. He added that he himself would hear the case.

Mr. Blair's action was taken with the approval of Secretary Mellon, upon the request of counsel for the Fleischmann company for an appeal from the hearings on the case held in Philadelphia before S. F. Rutter, former Associate Federal Prohibition Director for Pennsylvania, upon whose recommendation Mr. Hayes issued the revocation orders.

A final decision will be reached on Tuesday, Mr. Blair said, but meanwhile the whole matter is to be held in abeyance. Orders for the seizure of alcohol in Fleischmann agencies are held up, but the company agrees not to dispute any alcohol pending the determination of the proceedings. Decision to grant the Fleischmann company an appeal was reached at a conference late to-day between Secretary Mellon, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair, Prohibition Commissioner Hayes and Solicitor of Internal Revenue Mapes. It was decided to leave disposal of the case in the hands of Mr. Blair.

Secretary Mellon was understood to take the position that in view of the importance of the case the company was entitled to an appeal, as the original hearing had not been conducted before Commissioner Hayes or an actual deputy. High officials stated that Mr. Hayes was in complete accord with the decision.

The conference, it was said, did not consider the possible effect of the revocation orders upon the manufacture of yeast, but Mr. Mellon was represented as believing that methods could be devised for controlling the alcoholic by-product which the prohibition authorities asserted had been diverted to improper uses by agencies of the Fleischmann Company.

Date for the final hearing was set at a conference between Mr. Blair and counsel for the company. Mr. Blair said the facts in the case were not gone into, as he would hear all the evidence on Tuesday.

Quantities of industrial alcohol diverted to non-medical purposes by Fleischmann agencies during the last year, revealed in testimony before the hearing held by Mr. Rutter, were made public to-night by prohibition headquarters. At New York, out of 77,000 gallons of industrial alcohol, 42,000 was said to have been diverted at Brooklyn, 836,000 gallons was handled and 158,000 gallons diverted; in New Jersey, 105,000 gallons handled, 5,000 diverted, and in Bridgeport, Conn., 69,000 gallons handled and 69,515 diverted.

### Dr. Prince at Halifax To Investigate Ghost

New York Scientist Seeks Facts on the Celebrated Spook of Antigonish

HALIFAX, N. S., March 4.—Dr. Walter Franklin Prince, director of the American Institute for Scientific Research, arrived here from New York to-day to investigate the widely heralded ghost of Antigonish.

He will go to the "haunted house" of Alex MacDonald, near Caledonia Mills, probably to-morrow. MacDonald left the place several months ago, asserting some occult power had started two fires, killed off several head of farm stock and thoroughly frightened his family.

A detective and a newspaper reporter who recently spent a night in the house reported they had been snatched by an unseen hand for their temerity.

## Town Treasurer's Housekeeper Is Accused of \$15,000 Theft

Connecticut Town Shocked by Disappearance of Trusted Assistant of Aged Official, After Admitting Cash Was Short

*Special Dispatch to The Tribune*  
BOSTON, March 4.—Miss Elizabeth Kenney, former bookkeeper and housekeeper for Town Treasurer Warren J. Wright, of Northfield, for whom the police of three states have been searching for the last ten days to answer a charge of the larceny of \$15,000 of the town funds, was arrested here to-day by state detectives.

She was found at the home of a friend, Mrs. Mary E. McDonald, 99 Manthorn Road, West Roxbury, Mass. Miss Kenney refused to make any statement, but the officers declared that Mrs. McDonald said Miss Kenney could account for all the money alleged to have disappeared.

The young woman was taken to the office of Captain Proctor, of the state police, at the State House, where she was locked up in one of the rooms while waiting to be taken to Northampton.

The disappearance of Miss Kenney on February 21, after state auditors had discovered a shortage in the books of the Northfield town treasurer, amazed

the people of Northfield. For five years Miss Kenney, who is thirty years old, had been Wright's assistant and housekeeper at his home. She was so highly regarded that Wright, who is seventy years old, admitted he had signed blank checks and given them to her to pay town bills. He has since filed a suit against Miss Kenney for \$25,000 in an action of tort.

Miss Kenney was traced first to the home of a brother in Gardner and later to Boston. It was in Boston she wrote a letter, admitting, it is said, a shortage of \$10,000, and declaring she lost the money. Miss Kenney was formerly a nurse in Boston.

The discovery of a shortage in the town treasurer's books was made accidentally. Auditors were called in to straighten out a tangle in the accounts. They found funds were missing and questioned Miss Kenney. She admitted, they said, that there "might be a shortage," but requested them to say nothing about it to Wright. Later, just before leaving Northfield, she telephoned one of the auditors and again requested that nothing be said to Wright.

The whole matter is expected to be brought before the town meeting called for Monday night.

### Rehearing To Be Given To Expelled Baptists

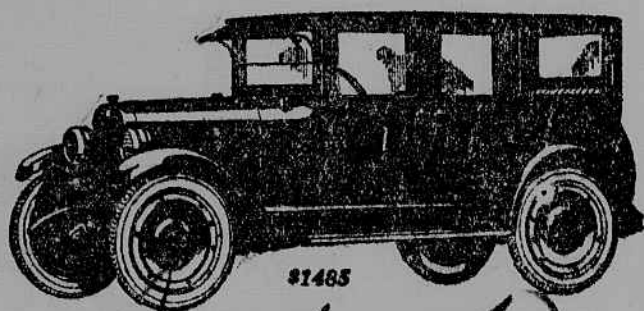
Dr. Frank M. Goodchild Heads Committee to Scan Madison Avenue Schism

Dr. Frank M. Goodchild, pastor of the Central Baptist Church of New York, at Amsterdam Avenue and Ninety-second Street, has been appointed chairman of a committee of five to conduct a hearing into the expulsion of three members of the Madison Avenue Baptist Church. The hearing will be

in the nature of a denominational investigation of the charges against Dr. George Caleb Moor, pastor of the Madison Avenue Church.

The aggrieved members of the Baptist Church who seek this rehearing of the charges which caused their expulsion are: Mrs. Jesse V. Day, a sister of Mrs. Grace Humiston; Dr. C. S. Hall, an ordained Baptist minister, and W. S. Foster, a civil engineer. They were expelled after Dr. Moor's congregation had vindicated him by a vote that was far from unanimous. Among those aiding them in the effort to nullify the expulsion is Dr. John Roach Straton, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church.

The committee will meet for a further hearing of this case on March 13," said Dr. Goodchild yesterday.



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## Women in Party Of Liquor Raiders Along Broadway

Dry Agents Conceal Themselves Inside of Evening Clothes, Order Drinks Like Regular Fellows,

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Agents Sassi, Weisenberger and Ar-

kinson were engaged in the restaurant raids. They were disguised in evening clothes, and were accompanied by well dressed women. All the restaurants visited were adjacent to Broadway. The first was Murray's, at 228 West Forty-second Street. The agents and their party had a table near the orchestra, where they assert they purchased drinks.

Fred Deegan, a waiter, was arrested and summonses were left for Michael Cox, who they said is the proprietor, and for Patrick Cumerford, head waiter.

Hailing taxis the prohibition party then drove to the Oakland Hotel, 42 Sixth Avenue, where they charged they bought a round of drinks. Agent Sassi was about to pour a drink from a glass into a bottle he carried as a receptacle for evidence, when he charged, John Jeva, a waiter, knocked the glass out of his hand. Jeva was arrested and summonses were left for the proprietor and head waiter.

The next stop of the raiding party was the Vesuvius Restaurant, 24 West Fifty-first Street, where they arrested Gabriel Lepri as proprietor, the same charge applying.

## Arbitration Board To Regulate Milk Proposed in Bill

Senator Straus Has Plan to Create Body of All Interests to Rule on Distribution and Prices of Fluid

From a Special Correspondent

ALBANY, March 4.—Provisions for a milk arbitration board is contained in a bill introduced to-day by Senator Nathan Straus, of New York. The measure would call into existence a board composed of representatives of the dairy industry, the milk distributing companies and the public. The government of the state would be represented on the board by a member of the Public Service Commission to be designated by the Governor. The bill

would, according to its introducer, lead to a solution of the important problems of the milk industry, such as the most economical method of distributing milk, the best way to increase the use of nature's finest food, liquid milk, and the proper method of arriving at a fair and reasonable price.

"The farmer receives for his milk about one-third of the price that is paid for it by the consumer," said Senator Straus. "The distributing companies justify this high charge on the ground that what they are selling is service. I. Elkin Nathans, of the New York Milk Conference Board, official spokesman of the milk distributing companies, said that the companies sold 'service rather than milk itself.' "The bill has been prepared in collaboration with representatives of the milk industry and the foremost authorities on public health. The actual drafting was done by Professor Chamberlain, head of the bill drafting department of Columbia University.

"The enactment of this bill into law would go far toward insuring an adequate supply of pure milk at a fair

price to the city dweller. It would react favorably on the dairy industry in that it would stabilize prices and would tend to increase the dairymen's share of the consumer's dollar. The proposal would establish a public forum at which producer, distributor and consumer would voice their difficulties. It would bring producer and consumer into closer relations. It would promote industrial peace.

"Under conditions of modern civilization, where so few mothers are able to nurse their own babies, an adequate supply of pure milk at a fair price is a necessity to the public health second only, if it is second at all, to an adequate supply of pure water. But this is not the only reason why a milk arbitration board is needed. The dairy industry, which is the greatest industry of New York State, demands and should receive a fair hearing at the bar of public opinion so that dairymen and dwellers in the city will see that their interests are identical and that only in their mutual co-operation can the products of the former be made available under the most favorable conditions for the well being of the latter."

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